NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED DRAFT REGULATION

The Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources gives notice of a hearing to be held on the following proposed draft regulation:

225 CMR 14.00 – Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – RPS I

The regulation 225 CMR 14.00 is a revision of an existing regulation to implement proposed changes to biomass eligibility for the Massachusetts RPS program and a technical change affecting aggregations. This standard requires all retail electricity suppliers selling electricity to end-use customers in the Commonwealth to obtain a specific minimum percentage of their electricity supply from renewable energy generation sources.

Any interested party may attend the public hearing which will be held on:

Friday October 15, 2010 Berkshire Community College's Koussevitzky Arts Center Robert Boland Theatre 1350 West Street, Pittsfield, MA 3:00-5:00pm

The Department will accept written and oral testimony at the hearing on this proposed draft regulation, which was filed on September 17, 2010. Written comments may also be submitted by **5:00 pm on October 21, 2010** to Robert Rizzo at the Department, 100 Cambridge St., Suite 1020, Boston, MA 02114 or in pdf format to doer.biomass@state.ma.us. Any questions may be directed to doer.biomass@state.ma.us.

The text of the regulations can be viewed on the Department's website at http://www.mass.gov/doer